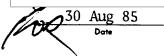
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School of International Studies

Mr. William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

During the period October 7 through October 11, 1985, 90 officers associated with the Special Warfare Center's Foreign Area Officer (FAO) Course will be conducting our semiannual Interagency Field Trip in Washington. The FAO Course is designed to provide Foreign Area Officers with the necessary skills to analyze military problems as they are affected by political, economic, and social events in various geographical regions of the world. A brochure about the FAO specialty, a fact sheet about the FAO Course, and a class profile are enclosed for your information.

Past FAO field trips have included a CIA tour for the spouses of FAO students. Per conversation of August 15 between Captain Keith Kernek, Chief, Operations Division, School of International Studies, and of your staff, approximately 45 spouses of FAO Course 2-85 would like to schedule a visit for Thursday morning, October 10, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.

Your support of our program is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

Major General, OS Army

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THE FOREIGN AREA OFFICER (FAO) SPECIALTY AND THE FAO COURSE

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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

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School of International Studies

Mr. William J. Casey Director Central Intelligence Agency Washington, DC 20505

Dear Mr. Casey:

On behalf of the students of the Foreign Area Officer Class 1-85, I would like to express my sincere appreciation to you and your staff for our recent visit to the Central Intelligence Agency.

The information presented to our students certainly provided them with a better understanding of your organization's mission and capabilities. The entire program was conducted in a professional manner and was considered to be one of the highlights of the week by both the students and their spouses. We are especially grateful to of the Offices of Training and Education for their assistance in arranging our visits.

Again, thank you for your support of our educational mission.

Sincerely,

ROBERT D. WIEGAND

Brigadier General, USA

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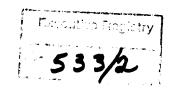
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18 March 1985

Robert D. Wiegand Brigadier General, USA Department of the Army U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center Fort Bragg, NC 28307-5000

Dear General Wiegand:

Director and Mrs. William J. Casey accept with honor your kind invitation to attend the reception sponsored by the United States Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center for the Foreign Area Officer Course on Thursday evening, 4 April, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Fort Myer Officers' Club in Arlington.

We wish the participants in the FAO Course a successful stay in Washington.

George v. Lauder
Director, Public Affairs

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MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Central Intelligence

FROM:

George V. Lauder

Director, Public Affairs Office

SUBJECT:

Reception Sponsored by the U.S. Army John F. Kennedy Special

Warfare Center for the Foreign Area Officer Course

- 1. Action Requested: None. This is background information for the reception that you and Mrs. Casey will be attending for the U.S. Army Foreign Area Officer (FAO) Course, Thursday, 4 April, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at the Fort Myer Officers' Club (524-0200).
- 2. Arrangements: You and Mrs. Casey have been asked to arrive at the main entrance of the Fort Myer Officers' Club in Arlington at approximately 7:15 p.m. You will be met by the course Program Director Major Steven West and Colonel Hugh M. Baker. (For further information see biographies opposite.) Colonel Baker will be your escort for the evening. Other leading government figures who will be attending the reception are Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff General John W. Vessey, Attorney General Edwin Meese III, Secretary of the Army John O. Marsh Jr., and Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary of Defense for International Security Affairs Noel Koch. Dress is a business suit.
- 3. Background of the Foreign Area Officer Course: The FAO Course produces officers qualified for assignment to positions requiring substantial politicmilitary awareness, analytical skills, language proficiency, and detailed knowledge of a specific foreign area. Foreign Area Officer assignment positions are located throughout the Departments of the Army, Defense, and State; elsewhere in the U.S. government; and with allied or host country activities abroad. The FAO Program includes area studies, language training, sharpening of analytical skills, and one to two years of travel, research, and study. The Washington trip is for the purpose of educating officers and spouses in the workings of CIA, Department of State, Department of Defense, and Congress.

Arrangements have been made by the Office of Training (OTE) for approximately 75 of the Foreign Area Officers and faculty of the School of International Studies to be briefed at Headquarters on Tuesday, 2 April. (See opposite for agenda at CIA and general background information on the FAO Course.)

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General Robert D. Wiegand Commander of the J.F.K. Special Warfare Center has invited you and Mr. Casey to a reception at the Fort Myer Officers' Club in Arlington on Thursday, 4 April, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. The party is in honor of the students, faculty, spouses, and other Washington area friends of the Special Warfare Center. The Special Warfare Center sponsors the Foreign Area Officer (FAO) Course. This course includes a trip to Washington for the purpose of educating officers and spouses in the workings of CIA, Department of State, Department of Defense, and Congress. You attended last year's reception.

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School of International Studies

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Dear Mr. Casey:

During the period March 31 through April 5, 1985, 90 officers from our Foreign Area Officer (FAO) Course and from the School of International Studies faculty will be in Washington on our semiannual Interagency Field Trip. This trip, an integral part of the FAO educational program, is designed to acquaint the officers and their spouses with operations of selected activities having an interface with the FAO specialty.

For your information, a fact sheet about the FAO Course, the class profile, and a tentative itinerary for our trip are enclosed. Along with our official visits, an informal cocktail party has been planned at the Fort Myer Officers' Club on April 4, 1985, from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. We will be honored if you and your wife can join the students and faculty, along with their spouses and other Washington area friends of the Special Warfare Center.

Preliminary coordination has been made with

Special Programs Officer, Office of Training, to arrange our visit
to the Central Intelligence Agency from 8:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. on
April 2, 1985. Copies of security clearance rosters and a list of
questions/topics for discussion with regional specialists will be
provided to

We are grateful for your continued support of the Center's educational mission and look forward to seeing you during the upcoming Washington trip.

Respectfully,

ROBERT D. WIEGAND Brigadier General, USA

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The course begins with descriptive presentations on the FAO specialty, followed by detailed instruction in social science research methodology and communications. Next, fundamental building blocks for understanding human interrelationships are developed and then applied at the intranational level in analyzing human behavior, social groups, economics and political systems.

Following this preliminary period, multidisciplinary instruction shifts to the international arena, starting with international economic and international relations theory and followed by US foreign policy and security assistance. At about midway in the course, the class conducts a one week visit to Washington, DC; students meet with principals of the Armed Forces and other government agencies, members of Congress, selected foreign embassies and representatives of domestic and international business and labor. After the Washington visit the class moves into a study of international law, crisis response management and international terrorism.

The course closes with a three-day International Affairs Symposium which brings together experts from business, government and academia to discuss selected key issues of international significance. The symposia results are published in the semiannual USAIMA Proceedings, a summary and digest of the class's investigative effort for that period.

Throughout the course, area studies seminars are extensively used as workshops for testing the analytical tools acquired during the disciplinary classes. The map attached to this fact sheet shows how the Area Studies seminars subdivide the world arena.

Participation by Dependents in the FAO Course Instruction: Spouses of Foreign Area Officer Course students are welcome to participate in virtually all FAO instruction, but especially the area studies instruction and guest speaker presentations. Spouses also are encouraged to participate in the Washington Interagency Field Trip.

Recommendation for Accreditation: Since 1973, the Commission on Accreditation of Service Experience (CASE) of the American Council on Education has evaluated the FAO Course as equivalent to six semester hours of graduate work or twenty-four semester hours of upperdivision undergraduate work. A significant number of major universities have provided FAO graduates with such credit as they have pursued further civil schooling.

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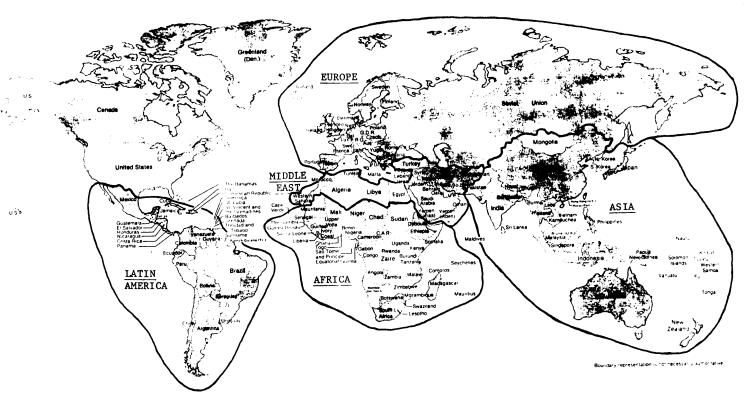
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UNITED STATES ARMY JOHN F. KENNEDY SPECIAL WARFARE CENTER FOREIGN AREA OFFICER COURSE

AREA STUDY SEMINARS



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Friday	5 April 85	0830-1430 hours	DIA